

SAFE WORK PRACTICE

TITLE	Equipment Activities Near Overhead Power Lines
GENERAL	Protecting workers from injuries associated with equipment activities near overhead power lines
APPLICATION	Do not operate heavy equipment near or under a power line until a permit and/or crossing agreement has been issued.
PROTECTIVE MECHANISMS	Safe job procedure Permit system PPE Crossing agreement Barricades warning signs ERP (Emergency Response Plan)
SELECTION AND USE	As per job requirement and crossing agreement.
SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY	To facilitate and/or provide proper instruction to their workers on protection requirements and training Perform worksite inspection
WORKER RESPONSIBILITY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maintain minimum safe clearances. 2. Install warning devices and signs. 3. Install telescopic non-conductive posts and flagging across R.O.W. at the minimum allowable clearance as allowed by <i>regulations</i> for the line voltage. 4. Position signs or other devices to identify the "Danger Zone". 5. Be conversant with allowable clearances. 6. Adhere to all site-specific requirements. 7. Beware of atmospheric conditions such as temperature, humidity and wind which may dictate more stringent safety procedures.
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